

OFFICIAL WARNING



VIOLATION OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS

CASE NO.

FL 120140

VIOLATOR

Customer # 3056

Certificate # 58-C-0413

David Tesch

Tesch

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The Department of Agriculture has evidence that on or about August 18, 2011 - September 18, 2010 you or your organization committed the following violation of Federal Regulations:

9 CFR, SECTION

Failure to

2.131 (a)(1)

- During public exhibition, any animal must be handled so there is minimal risk of harm to the animal and to the public, with sufficient distance and/or barriers between the animal and the general viewing public so as to assure the safety of animals and the public.

(**Handlers walked the elephant at least 3-4 feet away from the 3 foot high wooden split rail fence as the public lined a paved walkway along the outside of the fence.

**Adults and children reached out over the top of the fence to touch the elephant as she passed by.

**The public had the opportunity to feed the elephant.

**An adult man held a toddler boy out and over the fence so the young boy could touch the elephant.)

Titles 7 & 9 Code of Federal Regulations were promulgated to help prevent the spread of animal and plant pests and diseases and assure the humane treatment of animals. Since violations of the regulations can have serious and costly impact detrimental to the public interest, you are warned of this violation. Any further violation of these regulations may result in the assessment of a civil penalty or criminal prosecution. If you have any questions concerning this warning or violation, please contact the listed APHIS Official.

APHIS OFFICIAL (Name and Title)

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